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SUBJECT: INDIAN RESERVATIONS AT COLOMBO ON PUERTO
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1. THE EMBASSY MAY WISH TO EXPRESS AT A CONVENIENT OPPORTUNITY OUR APPRECIATION TO THE GOI FOR ITS RESERVATION AT COLOMBO TO THE NON-ALIGNED POSITION ON PUERTO RICO. SINCE THE COMMITTEE OF 24 WILL BE CONSIDERING PUERTO RICO AND THE MATTER MAY COME UP AS EARLY AS SEPTEMBER 2, THE EMBASSY SHOULD USE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO REITERATE THAT THE DEPARTMENT APPRECIATES INDIA'S UNDERSTANDING THAT THE STATUS OF PUERTO RICO IS AN INTERNAL MATTER. WE HOPE INDIA WILL CONVEY THIS VIEW TO THE OTHER MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE OF 24 IN COMING DAYS AND LEND SUPPORT TO A MOVEMENT TO ADJOURN DISCUSSION OF PUERTO RICO WITHOUT A VOTE ON A RESOLUTION.

2. ON KOREA, EMBASSY (RATHER THAN EXPRESSING THANKS OR
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APPRECIATION)SHOULD STATE THAT INDIA'S EFFORTS TO APPROACH

THE KOREA ISSUE IN A CONSTRUCTIVE AND BALANCED MANNER WERE
WELCOME SUPPORT OF EFFORTS BY A NUMBER OF CONCERNED STATES
TO AVOID A CONFRONTATION IN UNGA AND A STERILE DEBATE
SIMILAR TO LAST YEAR. WE HOPE THE INDIANS WILL CONSIDER
WHETHER THERE ARE FURTHER MOVES THAT THE GOI COULD TAKE

CONSISTENT WITH ITS POSITION AT COLOMBO. KISSINGER

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